STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS30803 / S1236

The Bingo Raffle Advisory Board recommended to the Idaho State Lottery Commission a proposed revision to multiple statutes in the Bingo and Raffles Act, primarily for clarification purposes to make charitable gaming laws and requirements easier to find and understand. The statutes are disorganized in some areas and not always intuitively ordered. There are also certain substantive changes, including eliminating the Bingo Raffle Advisory Board. These changes do not alter the minimum amounts that must be generated for charitable purposes. The changes do modify administrative expense for bingo from a maximum of 18% to 25% increases the maximum number of bingo cards available per bingo game from 54 to 108 and raises the value of the maximum cash prize that can be won at a raffle from $1000 to a maximum of $5000. Changes also clarify the information required to be provided in annual reports for the operation of bingo games and raffles.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation will have no impact on the state's General Fund or any dedicated fund or federal fund. In fact, there may be a reduction in costs because this legislation eliminates the Bingo Raffle Advisory Board members and eliminates any nominal meeting costs generated previously. There are no added costs to any fund.

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